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J. Anthony (Tony) Logan has served as Ohio Rural Development's state director since being appointed to the position by President Barack Obama in November 2008.

As director, Logan oversees Ohio USDA Rural Development initiatives such as rural housing, business and industry, and environmental and community facilities programs that offer financial assistance exceeding \$500 million annually to Ohio's small-town communities.



Prior to his appointment, Logan served as Chief Legal Counsel and Wind Policy Coordinator for the Ohio Department of Natural Resources in Columbus. In this position, Logan managed the legal affairs of 11 ODNR divisions including Wildlife, Mineral Resources Management, Parks, Watercraft, Natural Areas and Soil and Water Conservation. In partnership with the governor's energy advisor, the Ohio Energy Office and the Ohio Power Siting Board, Logan also oversaw ODNR's wind policy initiatives.

Logan began his career in state government as an Assistant Attorney General, serving in the Division of Criminal Activities. He rose to Section Chief of Crime Victims' Compensation before migrating to the Ohio Department of Agriculture as Deputy Director for Legal and Legislative Affairs and later, as Assistant Director of the agency.

A native of Trumbull County, Logan also was a partner in private law practice with an emphasis on agricultural and agri-business in addition to bankruptcy, real estate, and oil and gas law. Logan's family operates an 850-acre grain and dairy farm in northern Trumbull County.

USDA Rural Development serves as the lead federal entity for rural development issues, administering funding through three major program delivery areas: Housing, Business & Industry, and Community. The agency's mission is to deliver programs in a way that will support increasing economic opportunity and improve the quality of life for rural Americans.

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